

#### **Date**

Thursday, August 13, 2015

### **Time**

2:00pm - 4:00pm

#### **Place**

National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped Library of Congress 1291 Taylor St., NW Washington, DC

# Metro/Directions (Petworth/Georgia Avenue)

Petworth/Georgia Avenue on Green line (Proceed north four blocks to Taylor Street NW, turn left, cross Kansas Avenue NW, building will be on the right.)

# Sponsor

FEDLINK Education Working Group

## Information

Please call (202) 707-4813 TTY (202) 707-4995 Request ADA Accommodations five business days in advance at ADA@loc.gov.

# Registration

This program is FREE, but registration is required. Limited to 20 attendees per tour.

# **Cancellations**

Please notify FEDLINK at (202) 707-4813 if you cannot attend to allow those on the waiting list an opportunity to register.

FEDLINK Orientation to Federal Libraries and Information Centers Series:

# The National Library Service (NLS) for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, Library of Congress

The National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped (NLS), Library of Congress, administers the free program that loans recorded and braille books and magazines, music scores in braille and large print, and specially designed playback equipment to residents of the United States who are unable to read or use standard print materials because of visual or physical impairment.

NLS administers the program nationally while direct service to eligible individuals and institutions is the responsibility of cooperating libraries in the various states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, and the Virgin Islands. Service is also extended to eligible American citizens residing abroad.

Tour attendees will experience the difference that leading-edge technology provides for blind and physically handicapped readers. Information and demonstrations will be provided for:

- ~ Digital talking-book machines and digital talking books on flash cartridges
- ~ Braille and Audio Reading Download (BARD) internet services for books and magazines
  - ~ Narrators recording digital talking books

NLS staff will also be available to discuss the eligibility requirements for the free library service and to answer questions.

